



## GOD'S LOVE

### THE INNER KINGDOM

*Elva Horsman*

I would be beautiful within;  
There I can rule supreme  
O'er every mood, and poise regain  
In realms of mind unseen.

There I can sit upon the throne  
To judge each secret thought;  
All foolishness and pride disown  
As wisdom's path is sought.

Within I'll plant the flowers of love,  
Of peace and truth and life;  
Seek oneness with the realms above,  
Cast out all sin and strife.

Then as I leave this silent muse—  
Self conquered, good enthroned—  
The strength I've gained within I'll use  
In paths of service found!

### THE GROUND OF

EPH. 2:20

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1 TIM. 3:15

*“The Lord taketh pleasure in his people: he will  
beautify the meek with salvation,” Psa. 14:4.*

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—By—  
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## CHRISTIAN INVENTORY

1 Cor. 11:28, "Let a man examine himself." Verse 31, "If we would judge ourselves, we should not be judged." This means if we discern our own shortcomings and separate ourselves from them, then the other fellow won't discern us.

Oh, how easy it is to want the gift of discernment. But what for? It's usually to read another's heart, to know the spirit of another. "Search ME, O God, and know MY heart; try ME, and know MY thoughts, and see if there be any wicked way in ME."

### LET'S EXAMINE OUR OWN PERSONAL INFLUENCE

Do we provoke? Oh yes, probably we do. But to what? Is it to love and good works? Is it easier for others to be good around us, or not? Do the wrong feel condemned, disdained, or unesteemed around us?

A little girl said, at the funeral of another little girl, "It was easy to be good around her." O Lord, help me to be a steppingstone, not a stumbling block.

"Influence is the exhalation of CHARACTER."—Taylor. "Let him that would move the world, first move himself."—Socrates.

We can win others through love better than blame, for God took away the first (blame) that He might establish the second (love). Influence must have a daily saturating with love. If not, it soon goes bad, sours, and becomes disgusting to others.

A boy once said, "Dad, what is influence?" "Influence, my son, is a thing you think you have until you try to use it."

### LET'S EXAMINE OUR ATTITUDE TOWARD LOST SOULS

Do we really care? Are we burdened any at all? Do we ever weep for those that are sinking down to eternal darkness and despair? There are so many, many cares, and seemingly so many important duties to attend to THAT THE LOST ARE ALMOST FORGOTTEN. I heard that the question was asked in a great hospital, "Who is the most important man here, is it the president?" The answer was, "No." "Is it the head doctor?" "No." "The

head nurse?" "No." "Well, who could it be?" and the answer was, "It's the SICK ONE, the sick man or woman." "They that be whole need not a physician, but they that are sick." He (Jesus) is our leader, and He came to seek and save the lost. The lost man was the important man to Him. The great force of OLD-TIME RELIGION IS LOVE. God so loved the world (sinners), He gave (Christ so loved that He GAVE HIMSELF) HIS LIFE (HIS BLOOD) for sinners; yes, for sinful sinners. So let's check up; let's take a good inventory; let's examine ourselves and see where we are. SALT THAT HAS LOST ITS SAVING POWER IS USELESS.

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I wish to add greetings to my many friends everywhere.

We plan to write oftener but a writer needs prayer as much as a speaker does. Pray for me and tune in to "Precious Moments" over WEGO, Concord, N. C., each Thursday p. m. at 3:30. Each Saturday a. m. at 11:15.

And we like to get mail also.—Sincerely, D. H. Delk, Box 126, Concord, N. C.

The person who wants to be a good servant will never try to be a lord.

## Special Notice

**CORRECTION:** In the former list of state overseers and their territories as shown by the Evangel, Massachusetts was listed under the overseer, Wm. F. Morris, whereas it should have been shown with Connecticut and Rhode Island, F. J. Thibodeau, state overseer. We regret this error.—J. C. Jernigan, General Overseer.

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# The General Overseer Speaks

JOHN C. JERNIGAN

## EVANGELISTIC AMBITIONS OF THE CHURCH OF GOD

*From a Small, Secluded, Rural Organization to National Strength in Forty Years. Let Us Keep the Fire Burning!*

The First General Assembly of the Church of God convened January 26-27, 1906, at Camp Creek, North Carolina, with twenty-one delegates present. Several important subjects were discussed, one of which was evangelism. And I find recorded in the brief Minutes of said Assembly the following statement: "Evangelism discussed by the pastors and others. Reports of work done the past year; consecration on the part of a number. After the consideration of the ripened fields and open doors for evangelism this year, strong men wept and said they were not only willing, but really anxious to go. It is therefore the sense of this meeting that we do our best to press into every open door this year and work with greater zeal and energy for the spread of the glorious gospel of the Son of God than ever before."

The above quotation sets forth the determined ambition of the Church of God nearly thirty-nine years ago. The number of churches, members and ministers are not recorded in these minutes, but they were very few, however, it is stated that it was an Assembly of churches of east Tennessee, north Georgia, and western North Carolina.

Of these few godly men, I heard one of the number, who is now an aged veteran in the Church of God, say, "We were unlearned and ignorant men," but they are not the only unlearned men of whom I have heard. Peter and John, who seemed to be pillars in the early Church, were called unlearned and ignorant men, but the men who detected in them the absence of learning and culture took knowledge of them that they had been with Jesus, which is far more important.

The usual discussion of modern evangelism deals with the subjects of education, culture, finance, equip-



ment, entertainment, organization, and other topics of like nature. But in the first General Assembly of the Church of God, where they had no money and but little learning, they talked about God and the open doors, and strong men wept and dedicated themselves to the preaching of the gospel. There was no selfishness nor greed for filthy lucre; there were no general funds or state funds from which they could draw, no large congregations and fine churches to which to go, but when they talked of open doors they thought of old and dilapidated church houses that had been forsaken, mountain schoolhouses, private homes, and invitations of individuals to come over and preach or hold prayer meeting in their communities. It was not a matter of how much money they would get, but a matter of opportunity to deliver their souls in preaching a gospel message to men who were lost and needing Christ.

From the small and humble beginning as referred to above, the Church of God has grown to a great organization represented in every state of the Union and in thirty foreign countries. It has a large publishing house with five automatic cylinder presses and a variety of other presses, modern typesetting machines, folding machines,

stitchers and other modern and up-to-date machinery. One day last week the foreman of the printing shop told me they had run two tons of paper through the presses that day. We have our schools and college, orphanage work, hundreds of fine and modern church buildings and parsonages, and a great host of educated and learned ministers driving the best of automobiles, with good salaries and money in our treasuries with which to back up our evangelistic efforts.

NOW WHAT DO WE NEED? The answer is: Grace, consecration, power, love, ambition, zeal, enthusiasm, vision, determination, and a GO YE deep down in our souls. THEN WHAT SHALL WE DO? Pray, fast, preach, strive, fight, labor, and go out into the highways and hedges and compel them to come in.

Let us not think of our work of the ministry as an honorable position, but a job. When Paul was speaking about it, he said, "For we are labourers together with God." Jesus said, "I must work." Then what of us? We must work the works of Him that sent us while it is day, for the night cometh when no man can work.

Every true and consecrated child of God should be a worker in the ripened harvest field. I remember being in Kansas twenty-five years ago when the farmers' fields had produced great quantities of wheat and the laborers were few. The farmers were advertizing for help and offering big wages, and meeting every train at the station asking men as they stepped from the train if they wanted a job. The time of harvest was on; the grain was falling and perishing and something had to be done quickly. How much more important is the harvest that God has sent us into the fields to reap!

There are open doors all about us. Men are crying, "Come over and help us," and it is the duty of the Church to answer these calls. Let every minister, therefore, lay aside all selfishness and all other interests that so often beset the preacher, and preach evangelism.

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# RELIGION and the WORLD

By the Editor

## Liquor and Starving Europe

The Government's O.K. and the President's order for the distillers to make some 50,000,000 gallons of liquors will consume some 280,000 tons of foodstuff while war-torn countries starve.

## Sidney Hillman Seeks Church Vote

Council of Religious Freedom has charged Sidney Hillman with an attempt "to beguile the church people of these United States of all faiths into cooperation with the Political Action Committee as relates to the coming November election." The Council further charges that Mr. Hillman and Earl Browder (archcommunist and ex-convict) and their associates "WENT ALL OUT" in one big united effort to capture seats of power in the future. Against this attempt to "exploit religion" for political purposes, with one hand in the courts of the church while with the other it waves into the American nation schemes of power that when once in force may throttle it and possibly seal its doom. The Council reports prompt and resolute reaction. Much prayer is needed at this time relative to what may happen during the present election.

## Italy's Future

The future of this part of the colossal image of Daniel, and the enigma of the fourth wild beast of Daniel 7, is ringstreaked with uncertainties. To quote *Christian Herald*:

"The pot boils. An alliance has been hatched between Italy's Communists and Italy's Socialists—creating a party much larger than the Christian Democrats (or the Catholic Centrist Party, as it is better known). This can happen all over the Continent.

"Unimportant? It is very important, as we look to the peace. Alarmed Italian monarchists and republicans are furious; they are already drawing their political battlelines to overthrow the coalition. But even more important than this is the fact of the active presence of the Communists—under Russia-trained Palmiro Togliatti—in 'occupied' Europe.

"Many there are who say that the post-war conflict between the Communists and the Vatican is already being waged. Rumors run around Rome, gathering strength in spite of official denial, telling the world that an agreement has been reached between Vatican City and Moscow. The Pope denies it; Mr. Stalin is said to be ready and even glad to "cooperate" with the Vatican in resolving "the moral bankruptcy of Europeans."

"The truth may lie somewhere between; wherever it lies, one thing is sure. Roman Catholicism and Communism are irreconcilable enemies; sooner or later they will fight it out, with the soul of Europe as the prize. Much as we hate to think it, we believe that the democracy for which we fight will turn out to be a badly mauled bystander in that fight!"

## Liquor Control

The *Times-Dispatch* of Richmond, Va., gave the following very helpful report concerning the results of prohibition:

"The Statistical Abstracts of the United States Courts, carefully compiled and published, show that from 1923 to 1931 (the greater part of the prohibition era), the death rate from alcoholism decreased 42 per cent; insanity due to alcoholism, 66 per cent; arrests for drunkenness, 70 per cent; crime, 54 per cent. The United States Census report states that there were 108,000 fewer deaths from alcoholism. The tax-paid withdrawals of liquor in the United States in 1932 (last year of full-time prohibition) were 213,000,000 gallons; in 1942, 2,130,000,000, a per capita increase from 1.59 to 16.01, ten times as many gallons and ten times as much per capita. J. Edgar Hoover reports that the number of arrests for drunkenness in the United States in 1932 was 831 per 100,000; in 1942, 1,731 per 100,000; over twice as many; increase in drunken driving, 99.7 per cent; 9,675 girls under 21 were arrested in 1941; 1942, 15,068, an increase of 55.7 per cent; arrests for prostitution increased 64.8 per cent; other sex offenses, 104.7 per cent; drunk and disorderly conduct, 69 per cent.

## VIRGINIA UNDER REPEAL

"ABC stores increased from 65 to

102; wine and beer licenses from 4,784 to 6,500; revocation of drunken driving permits from 516 to 3,956; jail commitments from 57,789 to 104,931 (48 per cent for drunkenness); convictions for rape, 33, attempted rape, 9; liquor law violations increased from 2,373 in 1934-35 to 4,954 in 1942 (more than double). Five times as many stills have been destroyed the past year. In Richmond, arrests for drunkenness increased from 3,713 in 1935 to 8,683 in 1942. The *News Leader*, of Richmond, states editorially, "that liquor consumption is approximately four times what it was before the outbreak of the war," and the same paper also declares that \$78,000,000 was spent for intoxicating liquor during the past year, as compared with \$32,000,000 for education.

"The declaration of the *Times-Dispatch* that "anybody who went through it (prohibition) knows what a farce it was," knows that it was no more a farce than the laws against theft, burglary, the evasion of income tax, prostitution, disorderly conduct, assaults, and so forth.

## Latin American Missionaries

are still denied passports to enter Latin American mission fields by our state department, even though we are supposedly fighting for rights of free speech and for freedom of religion. The hindrance is because of opposition from the Catholic Church, and apparently so long as the Vatican can have a personal representative from the Whitehouse, the Catholics will hold a powerful influence over the Protestant churches.

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# Christ's Second Coming

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How do we know Christ is coming? In Matt. 13:11 Jesus said to His disciples, "It is given unto you to know the mysteries of the kingdom." If you are a Spirit-filled Christian, the Holy Ghost leads and guides into all truth. Study St. John 14:17, 26; 16:13. He, the Holy Ghost, will show you things to come.

Christ's second coming is in the near future. Oh glory, I can feel His presence now!

Amos 3:7 tells us, "Surely the Lord God will do nothing, but he revealeth his secret unto his servants the prophets." Verse 8, "The lion hath roared, who will not fear?" If you heard a lion roar would you be afraid? Well sure, and just that sure the Lord God hath spoken, who can but prophesy? When God speaks or when the Holy Ghost shows you things to come, would you tell it? To prophesy means to foretell future events. So as God shows me in His Word and by His Spirit, I must preach the Word and declare all the counsel of God.

Jesus said in St. John 14:2, "I go to prepare a place for you." Verse 3, "And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and receive you unto myself." Did He just make an idle statement? No. Acts 1:9, "And when he had spoken these words, while they beheld, he was taken up; and a cloud received him out of their sight. And while they looked toward heaven as he went up, two men stood by them in white apparel, which said, Ye men of Galilee, why stand ye gazing up into heaven? this same Jesus which is taken up from you into heaven, shall so come in like manner as ye have seen him go into heaven." How did He go? In a cloud. How will He come back? In a cloud. 1 Thess. 4:16, "For the Lord himself shall descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of

the archangel, and with the trump of God: and the dead in Christ (Christians in their graves) shall rise first: then we which are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air." Paul told the Corinthians, too, about this great event.

1 Cor. 15:51, "Behold, I shew you a mystery (we are to be stewards of the mysteries of God, 1 Cor. 4:1). We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed, in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trump: for the trumpet shall sound, and the dead shall be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed."

Some people who do not believe in the second coming, say, "Oh yes, He comes every day for someone." I have not found in His Word that He comes down to get each individual who dies.

In 1 Thess. 5:2 Paul tells us that the brethren (Christians) "know perfectly that the day of the Lord so cometh as a thief in the night (to sinners)." Verse 4, "But ye, brethren, are not in darkness, that that day should overtake you as a thief." In other words, the people who are born again and search the Scriptures, learn the mysteries through prayer, study to show themselves approved unto God, workmen that needeth not to be ashamed, *rightly* dividing the word of truth. Let him that lacketh wisdom ask of God that giveth to all men liberally, and it shall be given him.

Now if we study and pray and search the Scriptures, God will open our understanding. I began to do this in 1933 and God revealed so much of the Scriptures to me that I had never heard preached in the churches I attended, I began to seek a church that did not shun to declare the whole counsel of God. That is why I am a member of the Church of God today. 1 Cor. 1:2. Many churches have other names but I believe God had rather His Church was called by His name. Would you want your wife and children to go by another name?

Praise the dear Lord, I'm so glad I'm looking for Jesus. Are you? There are scoffers in these last days, saying, "Where is the coming of the Son of man?" 2 Peter 3:3. Hebrews 9:28 tells us that He is to appear the second time unto them *that look for Him*. 1 John 2:28 tells us if we abide (continue) in Him, we will have confidence, and not be ashamed. When? At His coming. 1 John 3:2, "We know that when *he shall appear, we shall*

*be like him*, for we shall see him as he is." Dear people, if we are not like Him (pure and innocent as a little child, washed in His blood), we won't go with Him when He comes. Paul told Timothy there was a crown of righteousness laid up for him, and not for him only but for (whom?) all that love His appearing. 2 Tim. 4:8. Do you love to talk about His appearing, or does it scare you?

In 1 Peter 5:7 we are told to be patient until the coming of the Lord, and that He is waiting for the precious fruit (saints) of the earth. Farmers wait until their harvest is ripe and ready before they gather it. Christ hath long patience for it. Has He not been patient with you? Do you doubt, commit sin, and get slow and neglect His work? He has long patience with the people of earth. How long? Until He receive the early and latter rain. The early spiritual rain was poured out at Pentecost (Acts 2), at Cornelius' house (Acts 10:44-46), at Ephesus (Acts 19:6). The latter rain is being poured out in these last days. At Pentecost when the Holy Ghost was poured out, the people looking on said, "What meaneth this?" And Peter said, "This is that spoken by the prophet Joel." Acts 2:16-18; Joel 2:28, 29. I thank God I've been baptized in this wonderful latter day rain, and you can be too, if you hunger and thirst after righteousness enough to obey God's Word just like it is given in the Bible. The Holy Ghost is given to them that obey God. And, brother or sister, you can't be a doubting Thomas or a good sinning Christian and get the baptism of the Holy Ghost.

Knowledge comes through prayer and studying God's Word. Hosea 4:6 says, "My people (not sinners) are destroyed for lack of knowledge; because thou hast rejected knowledge, I will also reject thee, . . . seeing thou hast forgotten the law of thy God, I will also forget thy children." Many people are saved and then do not study and grow in grace and the knowledge of the Lord. If we put our hand to the plow and look back, we are not fit for the kingdom. If you reject this message, dear reader, and do not believe that Jesus is coming, then you will have your portion with those who are left behind to suffer the wrath of God that is to be poured out without mixture, after Jesus takes away His bride. Two shall be in the bed, two in

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# A Life With God . . .

Evangelist Homer Y. Molen

Text, "*And the patriarchs, moved with envy, sold Joseph into Egypt: but God was with him,*" Acts 7:9.

We are living in a world where great things are said of the heroes of war, the air, screen, politics, etc., but the greatest thing that could be truthfully said of a man or woman is that God is with him or her. Let us notice Joseph, a great Bible character. He went through severe tests but God caused all things to work together for good.

"And Joseph was brought down to Egypt; and Potiphar, an officer of Pharaoh, captain of the guard, an Egyptian, bought him of the hands of the Ishmeelites, which had brought him down thither. *And the Lord was with Joseph.*" Gen. 29:1, 2.

I am sure we understand that Joseph was sold into slavery. His brothers were jealous of him because he had a vision or prophesied that he was going to come out on top as he trusted God. They said, "We will do away with him," so they sold him into slavery and then took his coat of many colors, which his father had given him, and saturated it with the blood of a beast, then took it home to the family and said, "Joseph is dead." As far as many of his loved ones knew, he was dead. Let us not forget those words, "*and the Lord was with Joseph.*" Surely he loved God with all his heart and God loved him and blessed him. It did not make any difference whether he was a slave or not, God loved him and took care of him, and He will do the same for His people today if we will only trust Him.

"And the Lord was with Joseph, and he was a prosperous man," Gen 39:2. The more they tried to hold him down, the more prosperous he became. The harder they hit him, the stronger he became. They tell us that in the fistic world a man must have trainers for months. The harder he is hit and the more he is knocked about, the tougher he gets for the real battle. Things were the same with Joseph, but this was altogether a different fight. This was not a fist fight, but the good fight that the Apostle Paul testifies to, "I have fought a good fight," a fight in Christian life. The Word tells us plainly and clearly that the Lord was with Joseph and he was a pros-

perous man.

"And he was in the house of his master the Egyptian. And his master saw that the Lord was with him," Gen. 39:2, 3. Even that Egyptian master, who had no time for God's people, or for God, could recognize that God was on Joseph's side. He could see that in everything he was blessed.

We read in James 1:25, "But whoso looketh into the perfect law of liberty, and *continueth therein*, he being not a forgetful hearer, but a doer of the work, this man shall be blessed in his deed." Even the Egyptian master recognized that Joseph was being blessed. The Word says so. I did not dream this. "And his master saw that the Lord was with him, and that the Lord made all that he did to prosper in his hand," Gen. 39:3 Everything he laid his hands on prospered, and the Egyptian master could not help but recognize it. "And Joseph found grace in his sight, and he served him: and he made him overseer over his house, and all that he had he put into his hand. And it came to pass from the time that he had made him overseer in his house, and over all that he had, that the Lord blessed the Egyptian's house for Joseph's sake; and the blessing of the Lord was upon all that he had in the house, and in the field. And he left all that he had in Joseph's hand; and he knew not ought he had, save the bread which he did eat. And Joseph was a goodly person, and well favored," Gen. 39:4-6.

But all the while Joseph is in slavery. All the while he is away from his family. It seemed as if the prophetic word concerning him coming out on top was being crushed to earth and trampled underfoot. It was a hard knock, but the harder the knock, the sweeter the victory. As Joseph held steady, the tougher he became, I mean from a Bible standpoint.

The devil never likes for a Christian to be successful so he put it into the heart of the Egyptian master's wife to entice Joseph to sin, just like many women today. We all know the story and space will not permit me to repeat it here.

"There is none greater in this house than I; neither hath he kept back anything from me but thee, because thou art his wife: how then can I do

this great wickedness, and sin against God?" Gen. 39:9. Even when the devil tempted him severely, he did not yield. Thank God for a man that will stand out for God. All of us Christians are tempted, not all in this same line, but in other things. So many of our precious people want to look like the world, pride creeps into their lives and saps their victory. We should remember that all of these temptations will turn out for good and will make us stronger and tougher in this Christian life, if we overcome them. The harder the knock the devil gives us, the tougher we should be.

When the Egyptian master returned to his home and the wife bore false witness against Joseph, saying, "He is guilty," off to prison he went. After having settled that *he would not sin against God*, but would do as God told him to do, then to be falsely accused and put into prison seemed hard. Some of us would have run away when the devil made a counterattack and brought something worse on us, a harder trial, something harder than he had just undergone. We would have thrown up our hands and said, "It is all up." Thanks be unto God, Joseph was the same man; he did not change a bit; he kept right on going.

"And Joseph's master took him, and put him into prison, a place where the king's prisoners were found: and he was there in the prison. *But the Lord was with Joseph,*" Gen. 39:20, 21.

While he was in prison the Lord was with him. None of us are in prison. We may be going through some hard trials or tests; perhaps some of you mothers or wives have lost some of your sons or husbands, but after all God is with us and will never leave us nor forsake us. What a consolation in this day of trouble. After Joseph was cast into prison he knew that God had not left him, he kept on going. We will have to do the same, and let God work everything out for us. The Lord helped Joseph while he was in prison. Thank God, we may get into jail for preaching holiness, but God will get us out if we will wait on Him.

"And the Lord was with Joseph, and shewed him mercy, and gave him favour in the sight of the keeper of the prison. And the keeper of



the prison committed to Joseph's hand all the prisoners that were in the prison; and whatsoever they did there, he was the doer of it. The keeper of the prison looked not to any thing that was under his hand; because the Lord was with him, and that which he did, the Lord made it to prosper," Gen. 39:21-23.

No one could hold him down, no matter how they bumped him and how hard they hit him. In that prison we are told God sent His word and tried him. Joseph became a little weary under the conditions and thought he would stay in jail forever, but he stuck to God and God delivered him, just like God will do us, my friend, if we will stick like a leach to Him. Joseph was then put next to the king. In other words, he was made prime minister of Egypt. It pays to serve God. There is a time coming, if we sincerely live for Him, when we can be made rulers. The Bible said some would have authority over five cities, some over ten cities. Thank God, everything is in store for the Bible Christian.

Why did the king give Joseph such authority? Because he saw God's hand upon him. Everyone knew that God was with him. Joseph didn't allow himself to be blown about by the trials and troubles of his life. He went right on. There came a terrible famine throughout Egypt and the surrounding nations. Joseph's brethren had to come to Egypt to gather up a little food, because in Egypt was the only place they had any food. They came to the king and everything being in Joseph's hands, of course, they had to face Joseph. That would be the time to get revenge, wouldn't it? After Joseph recognized that these were his brothers who had sold him into slavery and had been the cause of every other thing that had happened in his life, now would be the time to get revenge. Who wouldn't be tempted to get revenge? When they came with their sacks he ordered those under him to fill them. Then he secretly hid their money in their sacks, so that when they got home and opened their sacks they would find the same money they had given Joseph for food. *That is returning good for evil.* Listen, brother and sister, this is a New Testament teaching. A Bible Christian will do that today. Joseph did this, and that was not all. Later he made himself known to them and later the brethren had said, "Joseph

may get the best of us yet." So they had a secret meeting and said, "We are sure Joseph will get back at us now. He is in power and the prophecy is being fulfilled. When a man gets in authority he usually takes vengeance on his enemies. They said, "Let us go to him, whether we mean it or not, and say we are sorry that we caused you all of this trouble." Praise God. Listen to what Joseph said, "But as for you, ye thought evil against me; but God meant it unto good, to bring to pass, as it is this day, to save much people alive," Gen. 50:20.

He said, "I know you meant it for evil, but God turned it all out for good." It did not only turn out for good for Joseph but also for his brethren. Do not forget that if we will keep looking to God, no matter how or what we have to meet, God will bring us out on top. This is a New Testament promise. "Nay, in all things we are more than conquerors through Christ who loved us." You may perhaps have some pet sins and be trying to live as close to the world as you can; you may have a pain or an ache in your body, or some infirmity or some trouble in your home or on the job: if you will put these things in God's hands and really commit your life to Him and make up your mind to go God's way and turn away from other source and keep your eyes on

## WE ARE PRAYING AND GOD IS BLESSING

I feel definitely led of the Lord to write. I praise the Lord for the way the church here is picking up. I have worked for several years for this church. Before the good pastor we have now came and picked it up, I thought for a long time that our church was going down and we could never have a church at Beattyville, but the Lord sent us our good leader, Brother Frank Rose. Now our church is building up in every way. We have a good Sunday School and Young People's meeting and a good Willing Workers' Band which is doing a wonderful work.

We will soon have our church all finished. We thank and praise the Lord for the way He has blessed us and helped us here at Beattyville this year. This is our third year. We started with only a few members but now we have over twenty good working members, and we all love our pastor, for we know he is a true worker for the Lord, full of the Holy Ghost and fire. He preaches old-time holiness. The past year was the best year.

We have a good overseer. He was up  
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God and Christ, your trouble will vanish. Amen.

## Minutes of the 39th General Assembly

The Minutes of the Thirty-ninth General Assembly which convened at Columbus, Ohio, Aug. 24-Sept. 1, inclusive, together with the Minutes of the Bishops' Council which preceded the Assembly, are now ready. This new Minutes will be wanted by every member of the Church because of the many new rulings and the abundance of "new things" which transpired within our Councils. Some state overseers have ordered for their states; however, few so far have ordered for them. The Y.P.E. or the Ladies' Willing Workers' can make nice profit on these Minutes by ordering and selling them for the benefit of their local churches.

The price on these Minutes will be: East of the Mississippi—100 copies, \$23; 250 copies, \$22 per 100; 500 copies, \$21 per 100, postpaid. West of the Mississippi—100 copies, \$24; 250 copies, \$23 per 100; 500 copies, \$22 per 100. (This is west of the Mississippi but east of Colorado and Wyoming.) The Far West, including Colorado and Wyoming—100 copies, \$25; 250 copies, \$24 per 100; 500 copies, \$23 per 100. 50 Minutes, anywhere, \$12.50; 25, \$6.50; 12, \$3.75; single copy, 35c.

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# In a Rush

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INTRODUCTION: Telegrams come from here and there and, in fact, everywhere, ordering this or that; and, invariably, they read "rush." There is a reason. It is this: people have made



their minds up concerning that which they wish to do, and they are desirous to execute their plans. Rush; yes, rush down the highway, to the station or wherever you or they are going; it is always rush.

Text: "And suddenly there came a sound from heaven as of a rushing,

mighty wind," Acts 2:2.

God is unlike human beings, but He has purposed a plan, and in the execution of this plan to save men by the preaching of the gospel, He has found it in harmony with both nature and expediency to sometimes "rush" things along. This is particularly true of the outpouring of the Holy Ghost on the day of Pentecost. He had called and commissioned men to preach the gospel unto the ends of the earth (Matt. 28:19; Mark 16:16). The time had come, the clock had struck, prophecy had come true, it was now the day of "full Pentecost." The resurrection of Christ had taken place as foretold by the prophets, fifty days had passed since He arose, and God had a band of holy men waiting to preach the gospel unto all the world; therefore, in both the anxiety of men and of God it was time for an actual "rush." So, "suddenly," there came a sound. Yes, God would attract attention to what was going to happen, because doing it "in a rush" He did not want either the nature or the occurrence of it overlooked.

As of a mighty "rushing" wind. Yes, that is how the Holy Ghost came. Two

things were inductive on the part of God to a "rush." Men's hearts were purified by faith in the shed blood of our Lord Jesus Christ, therefore the Holy Spirit might enter them without delay; literally, it could "rush" in. Also, this "mighty rushing" testified not only to the rapidity with which the Spirit of God enters a purified heart, but especially so to the abundance of the power and presence of the Holy Ghost. Secondly, it was indicative of the way and manner in which God would set about the task of energizing His ministers who were to evangelize the world for Christ.

If the Church of today, and the ministers who lead the way, would get under the "rush" of the Holy Spirit, instead of the deadness and dryness of both the preacher and the Church, there would be first a "rush" of the Spirit within our churches, and from the "rush" of the Spirit there would come a "rush" of men to the work of God. It is written of God's ministers, "He maketh" them "a flame of fire," Heb. 1:7. The divine energy of the Holy Spirit is within His servants as a "fire." Fire will put the "rush" in you, and God purposed to put the fire within His ministers by putting the "rush" of the Spirit within. The King's business requireth haste, and those whom God filled with the Holy Ghost went everywhere preaching the Word, God working with them and confirming the Word with signs following, Mark 16:20; Acts 8:3. Not only did those men preach, but they actually turned the world upside down in a very short time. Acts 17:6.

## DORMANT POWER

It is quite evident that the progress of the early Church was chargeable to one thing, and that was the coming of the Holy Ghost and the dynamic power which was turned loose within the Church by the Spirit. Now you and I both know something about this same kind of a thing. We have seen God work marvels and miracles. However, all too often it is that we are brought face to face with the deadness and dryness of human lethargies. As long as the Holy Spirit dominated the early Church, just so long it was a dominating power and influence over men's lives. It transformed and reformed unsaved men into living witnesses for a living Christ. Now what has slowed up the power and action of the Holy Spirit within some ministers, some saints' lives, and all

too many churches? There is a reason, and to me it is one of plainness.

Let me ask, first, what brought the "rush" of the Spirit within the lives of the waiting saints in the upper room? What brought it into the Church? There is in either case but one answer. Individuals make up the Church and individuals control the Church. The activities within the Church are those of the individuals that make up the membership of the Church. Such actions are always one of two: either they are the formalities of the individual or they are the "manifestation" of the Holy Ghost. The waiting disciples were known to be waiting in prayer. They not only waited in prayer before the day of Pentecost when the "rush" of the Spirit began, but they continued in "prayers," Acts 2:42; "but we will give ourselves continually unto prayer," Acts 6:4; prayer was made without ceasing of the Church, Acts 12:5. Here is the secret of power, and no less the secret of success of any man's ministry or the progress of any church. If God is not working within a church, there is but one reason; and it is this, that church is not giving itself to prayer. If God is not using a minister, it is not because the saints, or the Church are out of order; it is because that minister is not capable of being used. I say this from both experience and observation, and in harmony with the records of the early Church and the promises of God.

I don't care how intelligently a man may preach, or how well a choir can sing, or how beautiful a rendered program may be, it remains that unless we are entertained by the presence of the Holy Ghost we are simply entertaining ourselves by our own talents and things. There is a vast difference in being nicely entertained at church by a musical program, and having the oil of the Spirit upon everything that is done, by which everyone present is refreshed or convicted. We need the "rush" of the Spirit to counteract the "rush" of the spirit of the world. The Spirit is willing but the flesh is weak.

Those who fellowship the suffering of Christ and rejoice in tribulation can sing with the Spirit and with the understanding also, "I will go where you want me to go, dear Lord, I will do what you want me to do. I will say what you want me to say, dear Lord, I'll be what you want me to be."



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For further information write to Nationwide Bible Reading, American Bible Society, 450 Park Ave., New York 22, N. Y.

## SOMEWHERE IN FRANCE

STRUTHERS, Ohio—Here is a letter from my son, Pfc. Harold C. Suit<sup>6</sup>, somewhere in France. This letter has been such a great blessing to me that I feel like passing it on to others, and if anyone will write him I will appreciate it so much.—His mother, Evangelist Bessie Suit, 32 State Street.

Somewhere in France

Dear Mon, Dad and Innle:

I have a few spare minutes so I will try to write you a few lines and let you know that by the grace of God I am still in good shape.

This stationery isn't much but it is the best I can find at the present time. About a week ago I managed to drop you a few lines but haven't had a chance lately. Try not to worry, and just pray for I'll write whenever I can.

I know that when you finish reading this letter you will know that the son you knew of a few short months ago has changed a lot. In the past I always "sorta" smiled off your letter when you talked about prayer. I thought it would be luck, but I know differently now. I pray, and I pray without ceasing. I know that it has been God and His great mercy that has kept me alive. So many times when death was knocking all around me I could feel the presence of God with me.

I have thanked God many times that I was brought up in the way of the Lord. I knew what was right and wrong. I want to tell you my experience, Mother, and I hope none of it is censored. I do know that my heart is right with God and if He should see fit to take me out of this world I could sing that song, "When the Roll Is Called Up Yonder, I'll Be There." I've done a lot of changing and there is going to be a lot made up when I get home. You know though the way I'd been taught, you had to give up everything if we expect much back from God. The experience I had convinced me that I received something from God. We had been digging in all day and really had some good foxholes dug when word came that we had to move out. I had put on my equipment and was lying in the foxhole when it came to me to quit smoking too. Well, when I got up I handed my last pack of cigarettes to a fellow named Bill. We had only moved out about 200 yards when Jerry (Germans) started bombing us. We didn't have anywhere to go—we just had to lie on the edge

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# Missions • Missionaries

INTERNATIONAL CHRISTIAN BROTHERHOOD



CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP FOR ALL NATIONS

M. P. CROSS, Executive Mission Secretary

No doubt you have noticed the new heading for our mission page. One reason in making the change is so that officials in some of the foreign countries where we are working may better understand us. We already have many churches in territories that are far from being heathen. In fact, these people are helping us in places to reach the more unfortunate. Therefore, this page carries more than the news of our work in reaching those who have not heard the name of Christ. Thank God for this Christian brotherhood and fellowship that is encircling the globe. We trust that we shall soon have a strong home work in different countries that will be sending out missionaries. Possibly this will later be transferred to some other department of the Church.

## Men and Missions Sunday Nov. 12, 1944

We are trying this year to stir up a special interest among our people in Men and Missions Sunday which was sponsored originally by the Laymen's Missionary Movement. The following quotation will possibly help you to better understand the purpose of this movement:

"The purpose of the Laymen's Missionary Movement is to enlist the interest of men in Christian missions.

"It believes that the most effective method of accomplishing that end and of promoting a world-wide Christian fellowship is to utilize and strengthen the existing missionary organizations of all communions.

"It endeavors therefore through all of its activities to inspire men to support missions both at home and abroad through their own missionary boards.

"The observance of MEN AND MISSIONS SUNDAY offers MINISTERS and CHAPLAINS everywhere, with the cooperation of LAYMEN chosen by them, a special occasion to present the mission cause. Every effort is being made that this year's observance on November 12 may truly result in a WORLD-WIDE ENLISTMENT of men."

## Annual Missionary Meeting

Monday, August 21, was the night set for this yearly feast, which is always looked forward to with much interest by our people. The building was well filled, and Bishops J. B. Winter and C. N. Ford, Elders C. A. Lewis and G. Harding, and our good friend Pastor Nurse were gathered on the platform. The overseer, Bishop J. B. Winter, presided over the meeting. The choir rendered many very inspiring songs, and addresses were given by Evangelist Nurse, Elders Lewis and Harding. The offering was good when we take into consideration that they put over only a few weeks ago a big financial effort in aid of the building scheme. The offering was \$26.50. Our people are doing their best. Pray for us as we continue to pray for you.—C. Urgent, church reporter, River Road, Barbados, B. W. I.

## Flash From Cuba!

"One person received the baptism of the Holy Ghost last night in a 'tarrying meeting' before the regular evening service began. We had a most glorious service, with the presence of God felt in a powerful way. Brother J. W. Archer, overseer of the Dominican Republic, is with us and will begin a revival meeting at the mission in Santa Barbara tonight, D. V. Watch for a report later."—Dewey Herron.

We are happy, indeed, to receive the above news. This is the first person that has received the baptism of the Holy Ghost in our services in Santiago de Cuba, and we trust it is the beginning of a mighty Pentecostal outpouring there.

## Another Meeting Room Opened and Dedicated

For a number of years Evangelist C. P. Goddard and his faithful people have been laboring amidst many difficulties at Sandy Ground Christ's Church. Now their efforts have been rewarded as through the activities of our highly esteemed overseer, J. B. Winter, a house has been bought, repaired and remodeled into a neat lit-

tle meeting room which was opened and dedicated on Sunday afternoon, August 13, at 4:00 p. m., in the presence of a very fine congregation.

The service opened by singing "O God Our Help in Ages Past," and after a few remarks the invocation was given by Bishop J. B. Winter. The preacher for the occasion was Reverend M. B. Prettijohn. He took for his text 1 Chron. 7:15, 16. His theme was "The Assurance of Divine Protection." An interesting sketch of the history of the Church of God and the work in Barbados was then given by the overseer after which, while the congregation stood with bowed heads, the dedicatory ceremony was preformed by Bishop C. N. Ford.

A series of revival meetings began the same night, being opened by the overseer and his wife.

Continue to pray for your mission work here in Barbados.—C. N. Ford, district overseer, Barbados, B. W. I.

Following are excerpts from a letter just received from Brother and Sister Litton:

## Coxen Hole Roatan, British Honduras

"The work surely is encouraging here. This Island is four miles wide and twenty-seven miles long, with a population of four thousand, and they surely are hungry for the gospel. Every town and village is calling for us. The churches are packed wherever we have been. We are going from here to Bonnaca, which is about forty miles, on the first boat we can get over there. Then we will go to the Island of Utila as they are wanting us to establish a work there. God is giving us great favor with these people. Please continue to pray for us."

Surely this is a great work—preaching among these precious neglected people that see no one from the outside possibly for years at a time. Please do not fail to get these people on your heart as they will need your prayers while they are laboring down there in the terrible heat and living conditions such as you cannot imagine here in the home land.

# REQUESTS FOR PRAYER

## PRAY FOR:

God to heal my nerves, also my head and throat.—Mildred Sarvino, Phoenix, Md.

My husband's aunt's complete healing and the saving of her soul; Sister Floyd who is weak in body; her daughter who is sick.—Sister Tomlinson, Rt. 2, Box 204, Climax, Ga.

The healing of my head, also my whole body, I have been unable to work much for four months. Letters of encouragement appreciated.—Mable Griffin, 718 Clarence St., Seaford, Del.

My three children, two of them have a breaking out on them and the baby has stomach trouble.—Sister Lillie Boswell, Rt. 1, Heflin, Ala.

My mother to be healed of rheumatism; me to be healed of a cold.—A sister in Christ, 1033 Ada Ave., N. W., Atlanta, Ga.

My grandson who is very sick; my brother; Sister Hodges' girl.—Angeline Fannin, Naugatuck, W. Va.

The healing of my body; a friend and sister.—Mrs. Melvin Bullard, Rt. 3, Alma, Ga.

God to help us bear our burden since our son was killed in France.—G. N. May, Canton, Miss.

My healing, I am suffering with

my appendix again.—M. A. Tate, Box 81, E. Beckley, W. Va.

God to completely heal my baby and little girl; my husband.—Mrs. Gordon May, 108 N. 65th St., Birmingham 6, Ala.

God to care for and comfort my nephew whose wife suddenly took sick and died, he is overseas; a sinner man to be saved and healed of leakage of the heart, the doctor said he could not live.—Mrs. Bartha Sisk, Rt. 1, Cave City, Ark.

God to undertake for my wife and me.—Claude Owen, Rt. 1, Heflin, Ala.

God to undertake for my sister; my two nephews stationed somewhere in France; me.—Rinda Ramey, Mallory, W. Va.

My daughter to be healed, she has fluid in her chest.—Mrs. India Smith, Trout, La.

My brother, Ralph Cross, Iron City, Ga., who has heart trouble to be healed, he is in a serious condition and unsaved. Encouragement appreciated.—Mrs. Lannie Wiggins, Iron City, Ga.

God to undertake for me.—Miss Violet K. Hall, 4300 Fisher St., San Diego 2, Calif.

The healing of my afflicted sister; another sister who is an invalid to be

healed, she can barely feed herself.—Mrs. J. D. Hudson, Rt. 2, Box 191, Blue Ridge, Ga.

The Lord to heal my body, I am very weak and rundown; my son who was wounded in action on August 3 and is still in a bad condition in a hospital in England, to be healed.—Mrs. Thelma Crump, Wattsville, Ala.

God to heal my body, I have been sick over a month and in bed for two weeks; two very urgent requests. Encouragement appreciated. — Sister Pairlee Romine, Rt. 1, Quinton, Ala.

My husband.—Mrs. Virgia Smithwick, Penns Grove, N. J.

God to undertake for me, I am in desperate trouble.—Mrs. C. F. L.

The healing of my husband's arms and side; God to make a way for us, we do not get to be in services.—Mrs. Viola Morris, Rt. 2, Gadsden, Ala.

The healing of my body, I have something like kidney colic; the healing of a friend at Millville, Fla.—Mrs. Annie McKelvin, 900 Glausier St., Pelham, Ga.

My wife to be healed of heart trouble, we are fully trusting God for her healing.—Brother Clarence Denson, Apt. C. 7, Unit 2, Metal Terrace, Sheffield, Ala.

Very special unspoken request.—Mrs. Herman Durst, Jennings, Md.

The healing of my daughter; my two sons in France.—Mrs. Bessie Cornelius, 1108 4th St., W., Cullman, Ala.



## OIL VARNISHED PICTURES

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### Struck by Lightning—Healed

BELZONI, Miss.—In March I was struck by lightning and was in a serious condition. Sometimes it looked like there wasn't any chance for me to get well, but I was trusting the Lord. My husband talked to the doctor about me and he said there wasn't anything that could be done for me, but, thank God, I knew there was One who could do something when all the doctors fail and I put a request in the Evangel. The Lord has completely healed me. I thank everyone for the nice cards and tracts you sent me and your good prayers. I know somebody prayed the prayer of faith. I can't tell that I was ever hurt and the Lord is still blessing me. I weigh more and am stouter than I ever was. How sweet to trust Jesus and how I want to do more for Him! I can never repay Him for what He has done for me. Pray for my husband and children to be saved.—Mrs. Louetta Sanders, Rt. 1, Box 189C.

### Boy in Service Healed

FROSTPROOF, Fla.—You readers might remember my name as I sent in a request for the healing of my shoulder some time ago. I thank the Lord that from the time I sent the request off my shoulder began to get better. Praise the Lord, it is completely well now. The Lord can heal us anywhere if we will only let our request be known. Praise His holy sweet name.—Wiley W. Trawick A/S, Plat. 33, Area D7-116, Camp Peary, Va.

### He Healed My Body

HILLIARD, Fla.—I praise the Lord for His healing power. He healed my baby. I praise Him for salvation. He blesses and supplies our needs. I thank Him for my home, for the love in my home. I realize I am not as close to the Lord as I should be. My husband professes no religion at all. We need prayer that we shall be more in the Lord's will and be ready to go when He comes or calls.—Mrs. E. Nelson, Box 165.

### Healed of Fits

CUMBERLAND, Ky.—I praise my Lord for what He is to me. I thank Him for saving my soul. I was afflicted with fits and suffered almost eight years from them. I was under a doctor's treatment almost all the time, but all they did was in vain. I also had gall bladder trouble. Sometimes I suffered so much I wanted to die,

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but one day God healed my body and I have never had another fit. It was two years ago the first day of March when I felt like I was almost gone, but God came to my rescue. I know His power is real and I do want to be humble and live so He can use me at any time. I feel weak and need help from God and the prayers of His children. I know what it means to live good and feel like my cross is so heavy sometimes I can hardly go, but I have found out if I will lay my burdens down at His feet He will help and give me comfort.

I have a brother in Service somewhere overseas and I ask all to pray for him. I love him and want to see him again, but most of all I want him to get saved. I have other brothers in sin, also a sister.—Callie Sparks.

### A Wonderful Healing Was Wrought

HARRODSBURG, Ind.—"O come, let us worship and bow down: let us kneel before the Lord our maker." Ps. 95:6.

Truly that is the desire of my heart when I think of God's healing power. Praise His name!

My husband had T.B. of the lungs and four doctors here gave him up to die as he had three large cavities in his left lung. We left our home here and went to Tucson, Arizona, for a change in the climate, thinking it might help him, but he gradually grew worse and for four weeks the old monster of death lingered in our home. He could talk only in a whisper. I called two doctors and they both said there was nothing that could be done for him. We all thought the end had come. He himself had given up to die, but, thank God, man's extremity is God's opportunity. I called for the Church of God there on Aviation Drive in Tucson to come and pray for him.

Brother Wilkins was our pastor then and Brother Rains was holding a revival. Most of the church came and prayed for him after services Saturday night, May 7, 1943, and God heard and answered prayer, for my husband was gloriously saved and healed instantly. He got up and dressed and

went to church Sunday night and gave his testimony of what great things the Lord had done for him and the glory of God came down.

He had never been X-rayed since his healing until September, 1944. We have just got the reports back on the X-ray and his left lung had collapsed itself and was entirely healed and his heart had moved over to the right. There was no trace of T.B. in his left lung. He went before three doctors here and they couldn't give an account for it. One of the doctors said, "It's a strange thing, I don't understand."

My husband has gone back in sin and now has a cavity in his right lung. He realizes he needs to come back to God. Please unite with me in prayer for him for both soul and body. Also pray for my eighteen-year-old son, LeRoy, who is also afflicted with T.B. He is leaving Friday, September 22, for the State Sanatorium at Rockville, Indiana. He needs the Lord in his life.

I thank God for this wonderful movement, the Church of God, and its great faith and straight teachings.

Brother Acridge was our pastor when we left Tucson this last July. I thank God for Brother and Sister Acridge and their longsuffering and clean lives. Pray for my home for both spiritual and physical need.—Mrs. Flo Henson.

### Completely Healed

BAYWOOD, La.—I praise my Redeemer this morning for His wonderful healing power. A few nights ago I lay suffering with my head. I laid the blessed Evangel on and prayed earnestly for myself and also other sick ones. A short while after I had gone to sleep the power of the sweet Holy Ghost swept over my entire body with such force as to raise me up. I began to praise Jesus for His wonderful healing power and I promised Him I would testify.

Saints, pray that I will be completely healed in my body and that I will ever be a true witness for Jesus, watching for His soon return.—Mrs. James Martin.

God can only help us either in soul or body when we are willing to comply with the great plan on conditions He has outlined for us. When this is done we arrive at the meeting place and find God waiting for us with the things we have ordered from heaven's supply house.

# REVIVALS

**ENTERPRISE, Ala.**—We recently had the most successful revival in the history of the Church of God in Enterprise, Ala., conducted by Brother and Sister A. L. West, of Chicago, Ill., assisted by Brother C. M. Helms, pastor.

God wonderfully blessed each evening. Special music and singing seemed to melt hearts of precious sinners, and the preaching was fine. The meeting ran three weeks. There were eleven saved, eight sanctified, and four baptized with the Holy Ghost. Six presented themselves for membership. What a glorious time and how the power of God did fall!

The Church of God in Enterprise feels that God sent Brother and Sister West our way for they certainly were a blessing to us.

The Y. P. E. was reorganized and the Sunday School more than doubled and is still growing. The church has grown from every angle.

We cannot forget to say that the Y. P. E. bought a beautiful Bible for the one who gave the best offering on our indebtedness of the new parsonage. The closing night we raised \$100 which finished the bill and the following Sunday morning we dedicated the property to God free of debt.

Brother West has been in the Army for twenty months but is still holding high the standard of holiness. Dear reader, please pray that God will deliver Brother West so he may carry this message to the many lost who need God. If you want to do a deed for the day, I request that you drop this soldier a few lines of encouragement. He will greatly appreciate it. I know our many Service men need much prayer in these trying days. Brother West's address is Pfc. Albert L. West, 636 Clr. Co., Camp Rucker, Ala.—Clyde M. Helms, pastor.

**BLACKVILLE, S. C.**—I praise the Lord for the way He blessed in the revival held here in July and August. Sisters Exelma Holley and Pauline Avery did the preaching and special singing. There were times when the Holy Ghost would come down and the preacher would not get to speak. The last Sunday of the revival twelve were baptized in water. The Holy Ghost was

there in a very special way. Brother N. M. Murphy, the pastor, did the baptizing. He had the honor of baptizing his wife. Only those who were present really know the blessedness of that service, for there are no words to express it. It was joy unspeakable and full of glory.

The work is growing and the people of Blackville are becoming more stirred than ever.—Beulah E. Osbon.

**SAN BERNARDINO, Calif.**—We just closed a successful two weeks' revival at the Tippecanoe church, with sixteen souls being saved and baptized with the Holy Ghost. Sister Myrtle E. Mushegan was the evangelist. We thank God for her. Truly the latter rain fell here.—Rev. Shoemaker, pastor.

**WARRENTON, N. C.**—On August 13 we began a revival in Warrenton, with a very good crowd. While I was preaching conviction seized hearts. Some sought the Lord, but only one was definitely saved. Those seeking the baptism failed to get through, but we believe some good was done. The folks at Warrenton are fine people and stand by you. Pray for me in my work for God.—Mrs. Jessie Sturdivant, Middlesboro, Ky.

**ST. PAULS, N. C.**—The Church of God in St. Pauls, N. C., had a revival of ten days. Sister Lucas, of Fayetteville, N. C., did the preaching. Six were saved, three sanctified, and one filled with the Holy Ghost. It was a very good revival.—C. R. Guyton, clerk.

**SHREWSBURY, W. Va.**—We praise God for our wonderful revival with Brother Sidney R. Lowe doing the preaching under the anointing of the Holy Ghost. The meeting ran four weeks and the power of God and the Holy Ghost came down in every service. Fifteen were saved, twelve sanctified, and eleven filled with the Holy Ghost. We praise God for preachers like Brother Lowe. Souls are still hungry for God's blessings. Pray for us that the revival spirit will continue in our midst.—Eva Stanley, clerk.

**PITTS, Ga.**—I praise God for old-time salvation. God has burdened my heart for our precious boys on the

battlefield. Dear boys, be not discouraged. Many fathers, mothers and loved ones are calling to God in your behalf. Look up. How I wish I could tell every boy in every camp far and near, those on the front line wounded, dying, about God and His tender mercies; He'll help if we will let Him. Dear boys, when it seems you have gone your last mile, remember old America is praying for you. I have a dear son in the Service somewhere, I've committed his soul and life in God's hands.

Dear boys, give God your heart, get saved while you can, while you have an opportunity. If you are a child of God He will hear you when you pray. I want all who pray to ask God to heal my body so I can work for Him.—Mrs. J. W. McLemore.

**PRICHARD, Ala.**—Oh, how our souls were lifted and encouraged for two weeks under our Brother Tidwell's wonderful ministry at Prichard, Ala. It seems to me it was the best preaching on prophecy I've ever listened to. Such waves of glory filled the church. South Alabama was certainly privileged to hear this humble man of God, who held some of us almost spell-bound. How the saints of God were encouraged to press on. Several were saved and eight or nine joined the church the last service.—Sister V. M. Davenport, Mobile, Ala.

**STARKE, Fla.**—Just a note of praise for the successful revival conducted by Brother W. L. Brown. Many souls were blessed, including a number of Service men, some of whom have already left for foreign duty. Brother Brown's inspiring messages will long live in our memory. Surely they were direct from God.

The church is progressing under the leadership of its pastor, Rev. J. C. Harper. The work on the new church building has begun. Please pray for the work here.—Pfc. Robert Lilly, reporter.

**MEMPHIS, Tex.**—We praise our heavenly King for the revival here at Memphis which began August 4 and ran three weeks. One was sanctified and five saved. One has been saved since the revival closed.

We are holding services in the Baptist church and expect to get a Sunday School started soon.

Please pray for this work, that God will bless in a wonderful way. We are looking forward to another revival before long.—Raymond King.

## SOMEWHERE IN FRANCE

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of the road and pray. You know, I quit praying for my life and started praying for my soul and I could feel the power of the Lord come down. I had been feeling pretty bad and all of a sudden I just wanted to run up and down that road and praise God.

We were moving and had to keep quiet, but down in my heart I sang many songs I hadn't even thought of in a long time. I surely want you to tell them at church that God has brought another lost one into the fold. I somehow feel differently now when the going gets tough, and I believe some day God's going to bring me home safe. There are many reasons why I should never have come here but I believe it was God's way to show me what religion really means. I know that with God's help I can bring Denny up in the right way.

I'll close now for I don't have too much more to say. Tell every one hello and keep praying for me, also pray that Paul never has to come over here. Write Laura whenever you can. All my love.

Your son, Harold.

## CHRIST'S SECOND COMING

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the field, two at the mill grinding, one shall be taken and the other left.

You may be ashamed of this power and not want to act like the hundred and twenty did at Pentecost, but Paul was not ashamed of the gospel of Christ for it is the power of God unto salvation. If our gospel be hid, it is hid to them that are lost, said Paul in 2 Cor. 4:3, and he also said in 1 Cor. 14:18, "I thank God I (Paul) speak with tongues more than you all," talking to the Church of God at Corinth, "to them that are sanctified." 1 Cor. 1:2.

Are you sanctified? No, that word scares a lot of church members to death (spiritually). Winston's Dictionary says "sanctified" means to be consecrated (denying fleshly lusts), purified, made holy or free from sin. Heb. 13:12 tells us that Jesus suffered without the gate to sanctify the people with His own blood. Was that blood spilled in vain for you? Jesus prayed for the disciples to be sanctified, in St. John 17:17, and they were already Christians. He also prayed in verse 20 for you and me to be sanctified. Paul prayed in 1 Thess. 5:23 for us to be sanctified *wholly*, that our

spirit, soul, and *body* be preserved blameless. How long? Unto the *coming of the Lord*.

Dear Reader, if you are just lukewarm, He will spue you out of His mouth, right into the great tribulation, if you are alive at His coming, and He may come any minute. May the dear Lord bless you and open to you the Scriptures, and your understanding, as He did the disciples in Luke 24:32, 45. He is the same yesterday, and today, and forever, and will do the same for us, if we meet His conditions as they did.

## WE ARE PRAYING, GOD IS BLESSING

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and preached for us a wonderful sermon. We all surely love him for we know he has the real power of God.

We are expecting a preacher full of the Holy Ghost to be sent to hold us a revival soon for we have about ten at the altar every Sunday night. We believe if we could have a revival there would be many souls saved. Pray for us, that we may have a harvest of souls. To God be all the praise.—A sister in the Lord, Beattyville, Ky.

## THE GENERAL OVERSEER SPEAKS

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gelism to their members, not with the thought of just building up the local churches but to get into the remote places of the earth and carry the glad tidings of good news to those who have not heard it. It is indeed wonderful that we are able to pitch our fine tents on the front streets of America's great cities, run our pictures and advertisements in the widely circulated daily newspapers, and preach and sing over the strong broadcasting stations, but there is yet a ministry and one which I fear is being neglected. We are not hearing of many churches being organized in the rural districts and small towns. We seem to be fishing most of the time in deep water for big fish and sometimes using such big bait and hook that we never catch any one. Many of our nice city churches were started in the country and moved to town. I fear sometimes money has a great deal to do with the place to which we feel like going.

If every member of the Church of God had the zeal and GO YE in their souls that those few in the first General Assembly manifested, and every one then take a firebrand and go into the enemy's territories, we would

set the world on fire for God, and before another General Assembly there would be a great ingathering of souls and many thousands of members added to the Church of God. Therefore, let us not wait for those long-wished-for opportunities and for doors to open where our friends, pastors, or state overseers can push us into, but rather seek out such opportunities that are all around every alert Christian. There are thousands of friends and members of the Church of God living in communities where there is no Church of God, who would open their doors and welcome a weekly prayer meeting where their neighbors could be invited to hear God's people sing and testify to the glory of God. There are thousands of schoolhouses and deserted church houses that would welcome our people for revivals. And there is no disgrace to building brush arbors, renting store houses and garages, and even cleaning up tobacco barns and preaching the gospel in them. All of these I have done more times than one and I feel proud that I have had such pioneer experiences of preaching this full gospel, and that without one dollar of mission money for expenses or personal compensation. We have money in our treasuries now, but a man is not worth five cents if you have to hire him to go. You fellows that have been wanting license to preach, and getting up and testifying about your calling and burden to preach the gospel and offering your service to your state overseer, if he could give you a church that would pay you something like what you are making on your present job, need to step out on your own initiative and put your trust in God and start something. Then the Church would know that you had been called to preach and your state overseer would be looking for you.

## Revival

In our revival at Oak Ridge church, three were saved, two sanctified, and two filled with the Holy Ghost. Sister Pearl Hinton and Brother G. W. Tingle did the preaching. The revival closed with the Lord's Supper and feet washing. The sweet Spirit of God was in our midst. Last Assembly year we built a new parsonage, put brick siding around the church, and made other improvements, and it is all paid for, for which we thank God. Pray that we will stay in God's will.—William Rogers, pastor, Neshoba, Miss.



# Notices

## Bible School Broadcast

Bible Training School and College, Sevierville, Tennessee, is on the air! The program goes on at 5:05 a. m. and goes off at 6:00 a. m., CWT, every Sunday morning—55 minutes—over station WNOX, Knoxville, Tenn., operating on a frequency of 990 Kc. (on the dial) and 10,000 watts. Our first program was Sunday, October 8, and will be called "The Church of God Hour."

If those who may have loved ones or friends in the Service located in or near Louisville, Ky., in the following camps—Fort Knox, Bowman Field, Stanford Field, or Nichols Hospital—will write me I will contact them and do my best to assist them in their spiritual needs.—R. E. Lovelle, 463 Chicopee Ave., Louisville 9, Ky.

If anyone desires me for a revival, you may get in touch with me at 243 Sikes Ave., Wadesboro, N. C.

If there is a girl who would like to travel in evangelistic work and is able to play an instrument and sing, please write to me as soon as possible.—Eleanor Verrico.

The Church of God at Hope Mills, N. C., is on the air every Wednesday morning at 9:00-9:15, Sunday morning 8:45-9:15, over station WFNC, 1440 kc., Fayetteville, N. C. J. H. Daniels, pastor.

## AN APOLOGY

We want to apologize to the Church through the Evangel for a second error on our cover page of the Lighted Pathway. Since we made our mistake last year, we have been very careful and have instructed the engraver to take off anything which might be objectionable and I thought I had given this instruction this time, but it has been forgotten. When the cut came we glanced over it and admired it for the wonderful thought it brought to us of the return of our boys, and failed to see the error in the picture. I am very sorry that it has happened, but it brings a beautiful thought to us. If we could get our eyes on the beautiful

things in each other and forget the little defects how much more peaceful our lives would be.

To those who will not understand our apology, we will try to explain. The Church of God stands against jewelry worn for ornamental purposes according to 2 Tim. 2:9, 10 and 1 Pet. 3:1-5, and it is our aim to keep the paper up to the standard of the Church. Please turn to Matt. 18:21-22, "Then came Peter to him, and said, Lord, how oft shall my brother sin against me, and I forgive him? till seven times? Jesus saith unto him, I say not unto thee, Until seven times: but, Until seventy times seven." So now I am sure that you will forgive me.—Alda B. Harrison, Editor, *Lighted Pathway*.

## OBITUARIES

### FINKLEA

Rev. J. W. Finklea, evangelist of the Church of God, Columbia, S. C., departed this life September 7, 1944, after a faithful life of service and blessing upon this earth.

Rev. Finklea, age seventy-six years, was a faithful member of the Church of God. Through the heat and the cold he went preaching the gospel. He loved the Church and her teachings. In fact, his request was "When I am dying, place in my hands my license

as an evangelist in the Church of God." He left this world with the testimony, "I am ready. Pray that I can soon be with Jesus in heaven." In his hand he held the credentials that meant much in what they typified.

Brother Finklea was faithful in all of his duties, spiritually and financially. In fact, he left the request that from his insurance be given one hundred dollars to the Church of God Orphanage at Cleveland, Tennessee.

As one of our councilmen of this local church, and as a loving father in Christ, we miss him and await the time to join him in the blessed home eternal.—His pastor who loved him dearly, Edwin M. Mortenson, Columbia, S. C.

### MONROE

Mrs. Josie L. Monroe, eighty-two years old, departed this life September 22, 1944. She was a faithful member of the Church of God.—Her daughter, Mrs. H. M. Hardee, Rt. 4, Box 58, Lexington, N. C.

## REQUEST FOR PRAYER

Pray for the Lord to completely heal me of gall bladder trouble and other ailments, also that my husband's hearing may be completely restored.—Mrs. Edna Blankenship, Somerset, Pa.

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